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**LETTER CLAIMING RIGHT OF PRIORITY**

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Sir:

Under the provisions of 35 USC 119 and 37 CFR 1.55, applicants hereby claim  
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A Certified copy of said application document was filed in parent application  
Serial No. 08/774,447, filed December 30, 1996, now abandoned. Said certified copy  
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Acknowledgement thereof is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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